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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

FISCAL SERVICE

Financial Management Service

Proposed Collection of Information: Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Market Research Study

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Treasury

ACTION: Notice and Request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Financial Management Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a continuing information collection. By this notice, the Financial Management Service solicits comments concerning the "Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Market Research Study."

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before [insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register.]

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Financial Management Service, Records and Information Management Branch, Room 135, 3700 East West Highway, Hyattsville, Maryland, 20782.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Request for additional information should be directed to Walt Henderson, EFT Strategy Division, 401 14th Street, S.W., Room 303, Washington, DC 20227, 202-874-6624.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. §3506(c)(2)(A)), the Financial Management Service solicits comments on the collection of information described below:

Title: Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Market Research Study

OMB Number: 1510-0074

Form Number: None

Abstract: Study of Federal benefit recipients to identify barriers to significant increases in use of EFT for benefit and vendor payments

Current Action: Extension of currently approved collection

Type of Review: Regular

Affected Public: Individuals or households, Federal Government

Estimated Number of Respondents: 19,500

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 3 hours 30 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7,500

Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up cost and cost of operation, maintenance and purchase of services to provide information.

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